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Lake Ontario’s record-high water has ‘doubled’ the litter on our shoreline — but there’s a movement on to take out the trash, from Niagara-on-the-Lake to Kingston

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The Scarborough Waterfront Trail on Tuesday. COURTESY A GREENER FUTURE

The green police have been called

WASTE MANAGEMENT

City wants you to sort your recycling or pay possible fine

Gilbert Ngabo
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Every recycling day in Toronto, a handful of city staffers are out on a special mission.

Moving just ahead of collector trucks on residential curbsides, these special inspectors lift up the lids of blue bins to see what's inside. If they find the bin stacked with materials that shouldn't be in there, they leave it aside with a warning note for the resident.

It's part of a half-year pilot project that started this month aimed at educating residents about sorting out garbage from recycling, something Torontonians are apparently failing at badly.

The city has been losing millions of dollars every year mechanically or manually pulling garbage and other contaminants out of the actual recycling material, according to the waste management department. As much as 26 per cent of what's collected from the recycling bins doesn't belong there.

“People are so confused about what goes where,” said Robert Orpin, the city's director of waste collection and litter operations. He noted inspectors have “seen it all” when it comes to recycle bins, from propane tanks, broken car parts and kids' toys to garden hoses, medical waste and even dead animals. The most egregious of all is the ubiquitous black plastic bag, which Orpin said is “like poison.”

For the time being, there's no cost to those found guilty other than leaving their bin uncollected, but Orpin said that could change in the future.

“At some point down the line, sooner than later, we'll start issuing tickets,” he said. “We have to avoid losing that money, and hopefully this educational campaign will help reduce the burden.”

Emily Alfred from the Toronto Environmental Alliance said it makes sense to run educational campaigns because the recycling system is “always complicated.”

“You think you understand the rules, but it's not the same everywhere,” she said. “People definitely need more than just information on annual calendars.”

GOOD, NOT GOOD

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Floating to the surface

GREAT LAKES

High water levels washing debris ashore

David Hains
Metro | Toronto

It's high time to clean up Lake Ontario's dirty shoreline.

That's according to environmentalists who have witnessed the effects of the lake's record-high water levels.

Rochelle Archibald, executive director of A Greener Future, says the amount of shoreline debris she's seen has "doubled, at least" since last year.

"This year there's more foam and plastic," she told Metro. "It's stuff that's been in the lake for a while, and now it's washed up" because of the high water, she explained. That's why it's urgent to collect the trash before the lake sucks it back in when water levels eventually go down.

Archibald is doing her part through the annual Love Your Lake program. Under its banner, volunteers carry out 100 Lake Ontario cleanups from Niagara-on-the-Lake to Kingston. Last year her group picked up more than 380,000 pieces of litter, and this year she hopes to gather more.

Susan Debreceni, an outreach specialist with the Vancouver Aquarium, co-ordinates the Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup with World Wildlife Fund Canada.

She says that how we treat our lakes and watersheds is increasingly top of mind.

"Now with the higher water levels, the litter is breaching the sidewalk areas. So it's catching everyone's attention who normally wouldn't notice what's out there," she said.

The lake junk includes everything from water bottles and bottle caps to buoys from boats, Archibald said. While picking up the debris is more urgent than ever, the high water has also made it more difficult.

"Some locations we've had to skip because they're too dangerous," she explained. All of the Oakville cleanups were cancelled, and the scheduled Toronto Island cleanup has been postponed.

The group is evaluating the safety of sites on a case-by-case basis and is staying in touch with the city's parks department.

Even though some sites aren't available, Archibald says the organization could use more volunteers for the sites they are cleaning.

"Even just three or four people makes a big impact," she said.

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Scenes along Lakeshore from Hamilton to the GTA show the trash and debris washed ashore by this year's record-high water levels. PHOTOS EDUARDO LIMA/METRO; COURTESY A GREENER FUTURE

Port Credit couple saves mother swan's nest, eggs

High water levels, which resulted in flooding, threatened a swan's nest. COURTESY

The unseasonably high waters have wreaked havoc for many along the Mississauga waterfront — but none more so than one mother swan, in Lake Promenade Park.

During a recent three-day rainfall, her nest — and the four eggs in it — would have been washed away if not for the efforts of Port Credit marine electrician Peter Briffa.

A longtime member of the Lake Promenade public marina, he and his wife Linda were out in a dinghy when they noticed the swan's nest in the shallows, and the water level rising around it.

"We realized right away she was in trouble," he said. "Her nest was only about an inch above water."

Briffa docked the dinghy and began throwing branches to her.

"She hissed at me. I threw more branches. She hissed at me again. The third time she started putting the branches around the nest," he said. "Then it dawned on me, I had a bale of straw and hay at the house, and I started throwing that to her as well. Now the nest is actually floating."

The 57-year-old father of two has been dropping by twice a day to check on her. The nest has been built up and secured, with three of the four eggs preserved and expected to hatch in June.

"Hopefully the eggs will hatch, and she will stay with them for four months. And then, they go off on their own," he adds.

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Toronto DIGEST

Threw beer can at Jays game, man pleads guilty
A man who was caught on video throwing a beer can onto the Rogers Centre field during a Blue Jays playoff game last October has pleaded guilty to a charge of mischief. In court, Ken Pagan occasionally glanced around at observers until he was called up to enter his guilty plea.
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MetCap president nearly hits elderly tenant rep
Tensions between tenant advocates and property management staff in Toronto's Parkdale neighbourhood escalated Tuesday, when a truck driven by MetCap's president nearly ran over a man trying to deliver a letter on behalf of elderly tenants.
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Celebs dismiss concerns over Nobu development
Actor Robert De Niro, celebrity chef Nobu Matsuhisa and a cavalcade of development executives behind the star-powered Nobu Toronto dismissed suggestions at a press conference Tuesday that breaking ground on their luxury establishment next year might be ill-timed if the market starts to falter.
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Girl survives 5-storey fall
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Minimum wage going up

LABOUR

Wynne reveals increase to $15 an hour, plus more paid vacation

The minimum wage will jump from $11.40 an hour to $14 next year and $15 in 2019, says Premier Kathleen Wynne.

Wynne made the announcement Tuesday as part of a major overhaul of provincial laws that also includes measures to make it easier for workers to join a union and increasing annual paid vacation from two weeks to three weeks.

Reading from a teleprompter and surrounded by a hand-picked group of labour activists and workers from different sectors in a slick TV talk-show-like setting, the premier boasted the wage hike is "the largest increase in our province's history."

The wage will rise to $14 an hour on Jan. 1, 2018 — six months before what is expected to be a hotly contested Ontario election — and then to the $15 mark that labour groups have long demanded on Jan. 1, 2019.

After that, wage increases will again be tied to the rate of inflation.

NDP Leader Andrea Horwath, who has been crusading for a $15-an-hour minimum wage, said it is good news for workers. But Horwath accused the Liberals of cynical electioneering "for their own political fortunes."

Progressive Conservative Leader Patrick Brown refused to say if he would allow the minimum wage to rise to $15-an-hour if his party wins the June 7, 2018, election.
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David Hains
Metro | Toronto

Given the state of the media industry, it's rare to hear about a brand-new local newspaper. But that didn't faze writer and Rheostatics frontman Dave Bidini, who unveiled the West End Phoenix on Tuesday. The paper with a staff of five will work out of the Gladstone Hotel and start publishing in October. Covering an area from the Annex to High Park and St. Clair to the lake, the monthly publication hopes to focus on storytelling and already has support from the likes of Margaret Atwood. We spoke with Bidini about his new project and what he hopes to achieve.

How did you first get this idea?

I was in Yellowknife working for the Yellowknifer in the Northwest Territories for a summer, and I was reminded of the vitality of local news. When you get to smaller places it can be a real unifying force, and I wondered about applying that to our neighbourhoods.

Every publication has its own values and identity. What is the West End Phoenix?

I think it's a great opportunity to be inclusive of all the voices that exist in our neighbourhood, especially some of the more marginal voices and stories that don't yet have a place in traditional media. There's an opportunity to create new space for new voices.

Esthetically, I almost see the paper reflecting the experience that one has when you take a right turn instead of a left turn, and you find yourself in an alleyway you've never been before. You see your neighbourhood in a way you haven't seen it before.

Writer and musician **Dave Bidini** is one of the people behind a new west-end newspaper.
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How do you make this work financially, where others have failed?

We're going to be a non-profit. We're an ad-free, exclusively patron-supported paper driven by home subscriptions. We're only going to print 2,000 copies for our first few issues, so we'll start small. Although we have great ambitions ultimately, we don't want to be so heavy that we can't get off the ground.

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Indigenous award gains momentum

CONTROVERSY

Jurors picked, association on board for writing prize

Gilbert Ngabo
Metro | Toronto

When freelance writer Alicia Elliott heard the recent controversy over the so-called appropriation prize, she could not believe how insensitive the media and news industry had become.

"It just shows the disconnect between people who experience their culture being appropriated and people who do not," said Elliott, a member of the Haudenosaunee First Nation and 2017 National Magazine Award winner.

"It's very easy when you're not experiencing the pain of the situation or ongoing effects of colonialism or racism to say, 'Well, it's not that big of a deal.' You don't feel it, you don't see it, because you don't have to."

It just shows the disconnect between people who experience their culture being appropriated and people who did not.
Alicia Elliott

The appropriation prize debate has set in motion a chain of events, one of which is a Toronto lawyer's effort to help fund the Emerging Indigenous Voices Award.

The campaign is currently looking to become a permanent endeavour, having raised nearly $100,000 in less than two weeks. CBC personality Shelagh Rogers and Indigenous writers Kateri Akiwenzie-Damm and Richard Van Camp will act as jurors for the inaugural awards, and the Indigenous Literary Studies Association has been brought on board.

"There really has been a long history in Canada of Indigenous people having difficulty to get published," said the association's president Deanna Reder, a Cree-Métis who teaches First Nations Studies and English at Simon Fraser University in British Columbia.

"This award is very encouraging for young writers to get published."

For Elliott and other young Indigenous writers, it would also be an opportunity to find mentors who can assist in navigating the writing and news business.

Contributions to the campaign can still be made through the Emerging Indigenous Voices Award page on Indiegogo.

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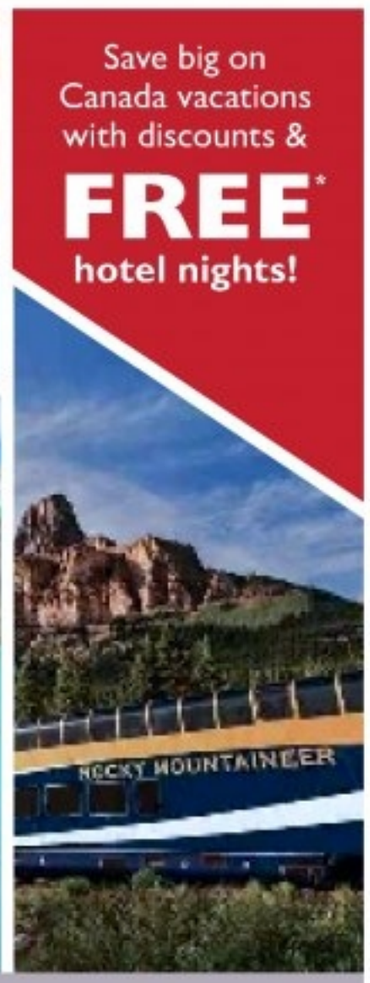

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An emotional Frances Neumann talks about her sister-in-law Mary Smith John at the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls. THE CANADIAN PRESS

'We let them down'

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Family urges commissioners not to ignore results of inquiry

Frances Neumann searched tirelessly for her missing sister-in-law in Vancouver's Downtown Eastside, only to learn from a newspaper article she had been dead for years.

Neumann, the first family member to speak publicly at the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls, urged the commissioners not to let Mary Smith John's death be in vain.

Smith John fled Yukon as a young woman after enduring the loss of an infant son and was found dead of an alcohol overdose in 1982. Neumann said Smith John had been in the company of Gilbert Paul Jordan, known as the "Boozing Barber," who is believed to have plied multiple women with a lethal dose of liquor.

"We let them down. We did not protect them because they were weak," Neumann said Tuesday, wiping away tears. "Please, please see this through. We have come up and waited for many years to see the results. Don't sweep it under the carpet."

Neumann's testimony marked an emotional start to the first family hearings.

Chief Commissioner Marion Buller began Tuesday's hearing with an opening statement. More than 40 people are expected to share their stories this week.

Families have the option of testifying privately to a statement-taker or speaking publicly inside a white tent, where the interior walls are decorated with brightly coloured blankets created by volunteers and chairs are set up in a circle. THE CANADIAN PRESS

MANCHESTER

Top performers join benefit concert

A week after a bombing at her Manchester Arena concert killed 22 people, singer Ariana Grande said she and other top stars — including Justin Bieber, Katy Perry, Coldplay and Miley Cyrus — will perform at a benefit concert in the city on Sunday night.

The singer announced Tuesday that the "One Love Manchester" show will be held at the city's Old Trafford cricket ground.

"We will not quit or operate in fear. We won't let this divide us. We won't let hate win," Grande said in a statement. "Our response to this violence must be to come closer together, to help each other, to love more, to sing louder and to live more kindly and generously than we did before."

Meanwhile, Greater Manchester Police briefly asked the public to stay out of a neighbourhood in the nearby town of Wigan on Tuesday as a bomb disposal unit searched for explosives — part of the investigation into the attack that hit Grande's concert.

Officials trying to unmask the network behind Salman Abedi searched a property in Wigan, 20 miles northwest of Manchester, and placed a security cordon around the neighbourhood for several hours.

Ariana Grande and other top stars — including Justin Bieber, Katy Perry, Coldplay and Miley Cyrus — will perform at a benefit concert in Manchester on Sunday night. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The railway station next to Manchester Arena, which had been shut since the blast, reopened Tuesday, easing transport woes for residents.

The return to a level of normalcy followed days of emotional tributes to the Manchester attack victims. Hundreds stood in quiet contemplation at St. Ann's Square, where a sea of cards, flowers and balloons has grown into an impromptu memorial site for those killed and injured in the blast.

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Griffin: 'I went too far' with severed-Trump-head photo

Kathy Griffin said she knew her new photo shoot with Tyler Shields would "make noise."

Griffin appears in a photo posted online Tuesday holding what looks like President Donald Trump's bloody, severed head. Many on Twitter called for the comedian to be jailed.

Following the online backlash, Griffin posted a video apologizing for the photo, adding she would "take it down" and ask the photographer to do the same.

Kathy Griffin apologized online Tuesday evening. SCREENGRAB

"I went too far, I made a mistake, I was wrong," Griffin says in the video.

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PHILOSOPHER CAT by Jason Logan

JESSICA ALLEN ON GIMMICK FOOD

Food has morphed from being something that sustains us to something that defines us.

I can't think of a situation in which I would be compelled to order a bowl of cereal at a restaurant. I still have a three-year-old box of Cheerios that's yet to hit the green bin.

But despite my personal distaste, cereal cafés and bars are popping up all over the world.

The idea is simple: dispense childhood favourites and esoteric brands of cereals along with toppings, like fresh fruit and dried coconut, and add milk (or milk alternatives).

You can imagine the interiors, right? Bright, cheerful, and colourful, not unlike the image of the bowl of cereal that is begging to be shared on social media.

It's a business strategy capitalizing on impulses that, as a non-millennial, I don't have: the desire to see something on Instagram — like an artisanal ice cream sandwich or a Caesar garnished with a grilled shrimp the size of a Buick — and go out of my way to experience and document it.

In fact, when it comes to businesses exploiting the latest food trends, whether it be a sushi burrito or a smoothie bowl, I've become so contrarian that I'll go out of my way *not* to experience them.

But will everyone else, who probably likes fun more than I do, bite? Although U.S. cereal sales have dropped $4 billion since 2000, the New York Times reported last February, "breakfast cereal is a powerful engine of nostalgia," particularly for Baby Boomers.

A bowl of cereal runs about $10 at Silo 13. EDUARDO LIMA/METRO

So if you build a cereal bar, will the millennials come?

At Silo 13, a "freestyle cereal bar" that recently opened in Toronto. for $10, you can fill up a plastic bowl from a selection of dozens of cereals, including French, British and American imports (like Twix, which was discontinued here in 2005). They even have Oreo O's, which can only be procured in South Korea.

Owner David Cai, 30, told me that he and his wife had the idea after visiting IKEA. They saw the wall of dispensers dishing out nuts and bolts and thought it was a great model for serving *something*.

"We both love cereal," he said, and with a little snap, crackle, and pop, the business was born.

The grand opening Victoria Day weekend went well, especially on the Sunday when they "got slammed."

The following Sunday, however, the place is empty, save for me (it was research!) and Simon (I made him come!).

I filled my bowl with eight cereals and chose two per cent milk to top it off. The first bite was euphoric. I was taken back to the kitchen table of my childhood. Was it the Count Chocula? Or the Fruity Pebbles? I can't be certain because every other bite tasted like wet sugar.

I don't think Silo 13 has me in mind as a regular customer. In fact, I wonder if they have regular customers in mind full stop. "We designed the place so that it's Instagrammable," Cai says.

But what are the chances that once you have that social media post, you'll go back for a second? Cereal may have a long shelf-life, but gimmicks don't.

Food has morphed from being something that sustains us to something that defines us, usually via social media. And since I forgot to Instagram my freestyle cereal bowl, I have no idea who I am.

Jessica Allen is the digital correspondent on CTV's The Social.

Safe spaces don't exist solely to keep you out

Vicky Mochama
Metro | Toronto

When oppressed groups create spaces for themselves, it's not — drum roll please — reverse discrimination. It is a response to actual discrimination by creating a place where they (we, depending on the day and event) can safely exist.

The mayor of Paris called for the Nyansapo film festival, a black feminist gathering, to be banned on the basis that it purportedly excluded white people. The organizers say the public areas were always intended to be open to all. However, some spaces on private property would be reserved for black people of all genders.

Back in North America, a Texas-based a movie chain announced five women-only screenings of Wonder Woman. The connection here to radical politics is a little more tenuous; I'm not sure a handful of screenings for a summer blockbuster is exactly women's lib. But the sentiment, a safe space for women to experience an action film, is fine. The reaction was a large helping of the usual: men complained.

In both of these we find a deep misunderstanding of how the world works.

Safe spaces are not new. Some are entire institutions created to serve people who have experienced systemic discrimination. For example, historically black universities about as a response to racist admissions practices at American universities.

Others are about creating a place for communities at the margins to centre themselves while still including others.

The Wonder Woman movie is the first female-led comic book movie in years and the first with a woman director. Five showings among thousands does not amount to discriminating against men.

Similarly, the black feminist film festival seeks to give black people a space that is solely theirs within the larger event, and more importantly, within the larger majority-white culture.

It's important when criticizing these spaces to recognize the environments they are created in. Women and people of colour have been chronically excluded from the bigger picture.

When men and white people feel left out, they are expressing their discomfort with boundaries. But the lines are drawn to keep the people inside them safe in a world that regularly threatens their peace.

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THIS WEEK: Naturally made cheese vs. processed cheese product

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Protein 5 g

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Protein 3 g

HERE'S WHY

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SUMMER TREAT

A refreshing pop of mango

Inspired by lassi, the Indian yogurt drink, these refreshingly juicy mango-lassi ice pops are as fun to make as they are to eat.

Mango-Lassi Ice Pops

Makes 10 servings, depending on mould.

Ingredients:

- 1-1/2 cups (375 mL) mango purée — for 1 cup (250 mL) of mango purée, process 2 cups (340 g) of cubed mango in a blender until smooth, then strain.
- 1/2 cup (105 g) sugar
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) plain Greek yogurt
- 1/2 cup (65 g) crushed unsalted pistachios

Directions:

1. In a bowl, whisk together purée and sugar until sugar has dissolved. Stir in yogurt.

These fruit purée frozen snacks are just too good not to share.
COURTESY RICARDO LARRIVÉE

2. Sprinkle half of the pistachios into ice-pop moulds and pour mango mixture over top, leaving 1/2 inch (1 cm) of space at top of each mould. Top with remaining pistachios and insert ice-pop sticks.

3. Freeze for six hours or until firm. For easy unmoulding, place under hot running water. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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The WRX is excitement in motion

HANDOUT

REVIEW

Refining the sport compact with the latest iteration WRX

Sami Haj-Assaad
AutoGuide.com

I'm somewhere alongside Kaslo Bay in southwest British Columbia when it hits me. A smile. It's infectious and followed by giggles and wide-eyed excitement.

It's a result of this route, this scenery and a car that feels right at home navigating roads that swing side to side like a pendulum. It's here I'm reminded that despite all the new sport compact cars on the scene, it's the WRX they have to beat.

To say I'm impressed with the most recent iteration of the WRX is an understatement. It fended off a whole gang of other sporty compact cars a few years ago and emerged victorious against the new EcoBoost-powered Ford Mustang in a recent comparison.

The 2018 Subaru WRX may not seem very new. It still has the same turbo 2.0-litre boxer engine. It's still only available as a sedan. It's still pretty light at around 1,500 kilograms. It still has a slow infotainment system and no Apple CarPlay or Android Auto support. The interior also won't give you the impression you're in something higher end, and the car is still lacking in sex appeal.

That list of complaints is quickly forgotten once you take the WRX on the road — and glance at the $29,995 asking price. But let's get to what's actually changed. The front bumper has been revised and the car gets an option for full LED headlights that can turn into a corner so night time visibility is improved.

Cars equipped with the CVT transmission can get Subaru's EyeSight suite of safety and driver assistance features — things like adaptive cruise control, lane departure warning and forward collision warning. These vehicles also can be equipped with an automatic rear braking system.

In terms of performance upgrades, the changes to suspension and steering feel are subtle. The manual transmission and steering have been tweaked as well to be smoother. Additionally, Subaru has revised the mount points for roof racks. The automaker is also offering new performance goodies in the RS Package. Vehicles equipped with this package get sporty Recaro seats and new JURID brake pads with red calipers. There's also a moonroof delete option.

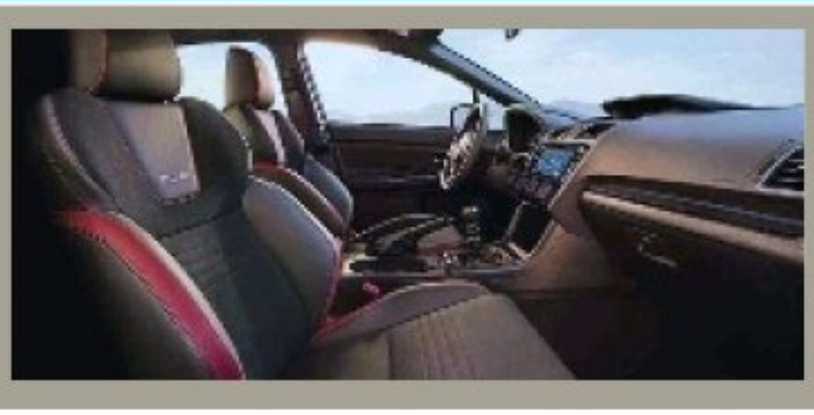
The interior gets new gauges and there are more soft-touch materials in the cabin. The rear armrest now has a cupholder and the front power windows now have a power off delay, so you can roll them up after you turn off the car. Finally, Subaru has reduced a significant amount of cabin noise.

The rest of the car is the same old stuff we've liked before and there are no changes here that will upset the legions of loyal fans.

THE CHECKLIST | 2018 SUBARU WRX

THE BASICS

Engine: 2.0-litre turbo boxer four-cylinder
Output: 268 horsepower, 255 pound-feet of torque
Transmission: Six-speed manual/CVT
Fuel Economy (L/100 km): 11.3 city, 8.5 highway, 10.0 combined (6MT)/12.5 city, 9.6 hwy, 11.2 combined (CVT)
Price: Starting at $29,995



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PARKING

If you think parking is expensive, be glad you aren't in NYC or Sydney

Jason Siu
AutoGuide.com

The 2017 Global Parking Index has been released, revealing the most expensive cities in the world for parking.

The report is based on Parkopedia's own dataset, which covers more than 50 million parking spaces across 6,500 cities in 75 countries. Prices in the index were calculated as the mean of corresponding parking rates for all publicly available off-street parking facilities in a city center based on Parkopedia's global dataset.

Prices have been adjusted based on the theory of purchasing power parity (PPP), allowing for a comparison of the relative price of parking in cities and countries globally. In addition, to determine the relative cost of parking in each location, global prices were converted into USD using May 2017 currency exchange rates, as well as adjusted based on the published Big Mac index PPP January 2017 index.

The world's highest short-term (two-hour) parking rate is found in two locations in New York City, charging $62 for two hours. On average, New York has the highest two-hour parking rates at $32.97, while Sydney's average is $28.45. At least half-a-dozen locations in Sydney charge as much as $51 for two hours. Also in the top five from Australia are Brisbane ($21.77 average) and Melbourne ($21.56). Boston with an average of $20.80 round out the top five. The only cities in the top 10 not in the U.S. or Australia are London, U.K. ($16.26) and Tokyo, Japan ($15.16).

$211.05

Montreal and Calgary are the only Canadian cities to crack the top 25 most expensive places to park globally. Montreal places 18th when it comes to two-hour parking rates with an average of $9.87 U.S.; Calgary follows with an average cost of $9.24. Average monthly parking will run you $211.05 in Calgary compared to a national average of $123.50. **PARKOPEDIA GLOBAL PARKING INDEX**

After purchasing power parity adjustment, however, New York and Sydney swap places, with Sydney topping the list at an average of $34.85, while New York is $32.97.

For daily parking, Sydney leads the way at an average of $46.73, while London is in second at $45.01. Also in the top five are New York ($41.58), Brisbane ($36.38) and Paris ($35.19). But after PPP adjustment, London edges out Sydney as the most expensive for daily parking with an average rate of $57.51.

When it comes to monthly parking, New York is the most expensive at $606.37. London is second at $603.89, followed by Zurich ($540), Amsterdam ($424.73) and Sydney ($390). After PPP adjustment, things change a bit for monthly parking. London ranks highest at $771.67 and Hong Kong makes an appearance at $722.43. New York falls into third at $606.37 followed by Amsterdam ($545.10) and Sydney ($475).

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"Sometimes you just got to go and get them and can't hesitate": Nationals star Bryce Harper on his fight with Giants reliever Hunter Strickland

GOLF

Police: No alcohol was in Woods' system

Police say Tiger Woods was asleep at the wheel but had no alcohol in his system when officers spotted his car stopped along a Florida road.

An affidavit released Tuesday said Woods was alone and wearing his seat belt when Jupiter Police officers in Florida found his Mercedes early Monday in the right lane. The car's engine was running and its lights were on.

The report says officers woke Woods, who had "extremely slow and slurred speech" and told them he took several prescriptions.

Tiger Woods GETTY IMAGES

According to the report, Woods asked how far he was from his Hobe Sound home. Officers said Woods was co-operative but failed a roadside sobriety test. Breath and urine tests showed no alcohol in his system. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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MLB

Homers help starter Happ avoid loss in return from DL

Kendrys Morales hit a go-ahead two-run homer in the eighth inning to power the Toronto Blue Jays to a 6-4 victory over the Cincinnati Reds on Tuesday at Rogers Centre.

It was one of four Toronto homers on the night. Josh Donaldson, Jose Bautista and Russell Martin all went deep in the Blue Jays' four-run fourth inning.

TUESDAY In Toronto

6	4
BLUE JAYS	REDS

Morales turned on a 1-0 pitch from Blake Wood (0-3) for his 10th home run of the season. Closer Roberto Osuna worked a 1-2-3 ninth inning for his 10th save.

Toronto (25-27) has won seven of its last eight games and improved to 4-1 on its 10-game homestand. The Blue Jays will go for a sweep of the three-game inter-league series on Wednesday afternoon.

The Reds (24-27) hit three homers of their own. Zack Cozart and Toronto native Joey Votto hit back-to-back solo shots off Blue Jays southpaw J.A. Happ in the first inning.

Cozart's sixth homer of the year was to straightaway centre while Votto's blast — his 13th — landed nearby in the second level of seats.

Votto showed off his defensive skills at first base in the following frame. He dived to his left to snare a Justin Smoak liner and stepped on the bag to double off Morales.

Happ, meanwhile, was helped by Troy Tulowitzki's stellar defence in the third inning. With the bases loaded, Scott Schebler lashed a ball that the veteran shortstop short-hopped on his backhand side before making a strong throw to keep it a two-run game. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Kendrys Morales' two-run shot in the eight inning was the difference on Tuesday night. NATHAN DENETTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

With his fourth-inning longball, **Josh Donaldson became the ninth different Jay to hit a homer into the 500 level** at Rogers Centre. GETTY IMAGES

IN BRIEF

Bouchard makes second round of French Open

Canada's Eugenie Bouchard is through to the second round of the French Open after posting a comeback 2-6, 6-3, 6-2 over Japan's Risa Ozaki on Tuesday.

Bouchard, a semifinalist at Roland Garros in 2014, came back form a disastrous first set by dominating the next two. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Piatti pushes Impact past Caps into Canadian final

Ignacio Piatti scored twice from the penalty spot and Blerim Dzemaili got his first goal as the Montreal Impact defeated the Vancouver Whitecaps 4-2 to win their Canadian Championship semifinal on Tuesday night.

Montreal won the two-game aggregate goals series 5-4 to advance to next month's final against the winner between Toronto FC and the Ottawa Fury, who complete their semifinal on Wednesday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canada moves up in cricket

Canada is moving up the cricket ladder after finishing runner-up at the ICC World Cricket League Division 3 tournament. The Canadians join tournament winner Oman in securing promotion to Division 2 and continuing on the road to the 2018 ICC Cricket World Cup qualifier. THE CANADIAN PRESS

German Cup winners Dortmund fire coach Tuchel

Borussia Dortmund fired Thomas Tuchel as coach on Tuesday, three days after he led the club to its first title in five years.

The club issued a statement to say the 43-year-old Tuchel was leaving with immediate effect, one year before his contract was due to expire in 2018, after talks between chief executive Hans-Joachim Watzke, sports director Michael Zorc, Tuchel and his adviser Olaf Meinking. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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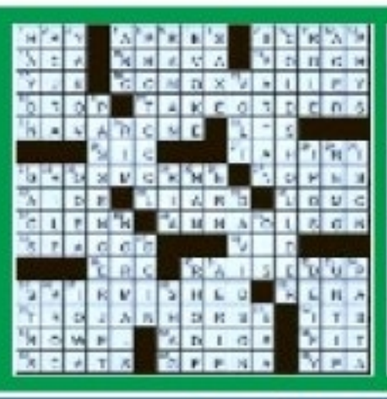

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MAKE IT TONIGHT

Creamy Penne Pasta with Asparagus and Peas

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Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh
For Metro Canada

The light and creamy sauce of this pasta plays perfectly against tender, juicy spring vegetables.

Ready in 20 minutes
Prep time: 5 minutes
Cook time: 15 minutes
Serves 4

Ingredients
- 500g penne
- 1 Tbsp olive oil
- 1 bunch of asparagus, ends snapped off and cut into thirds
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 shallot, diced
- 2 cups peas
- 1 cup crème fraîche
- 1/4 cup Parmesan cheese
- 1 Tbsp chopped chives

Directions

1. Preheat cast-iron pan over moderate heat. Add a tablespoon of olive oil and asparagus and cook until fork tender, about 8 minutes. Add garlic and shallots and cook until fragrant, about 1 minute.

2. Meanwhile, cook penne according to package directions, about 12 minutes. In the last minute of cooking time, drop peas into the water. Reserve ½ cup of cooking water. Drain pasta and peas.

3. Add pasta and peas to skillet with asparagus and toss well. Add the creme fraiche and stir until pasta is coated. Add reserved water a tablespoon at a time to get desired consistency.

4. Sprinkle with Parmesan cheese and season with salt and pepper to taste. Sprinkle with chives and serve right away.

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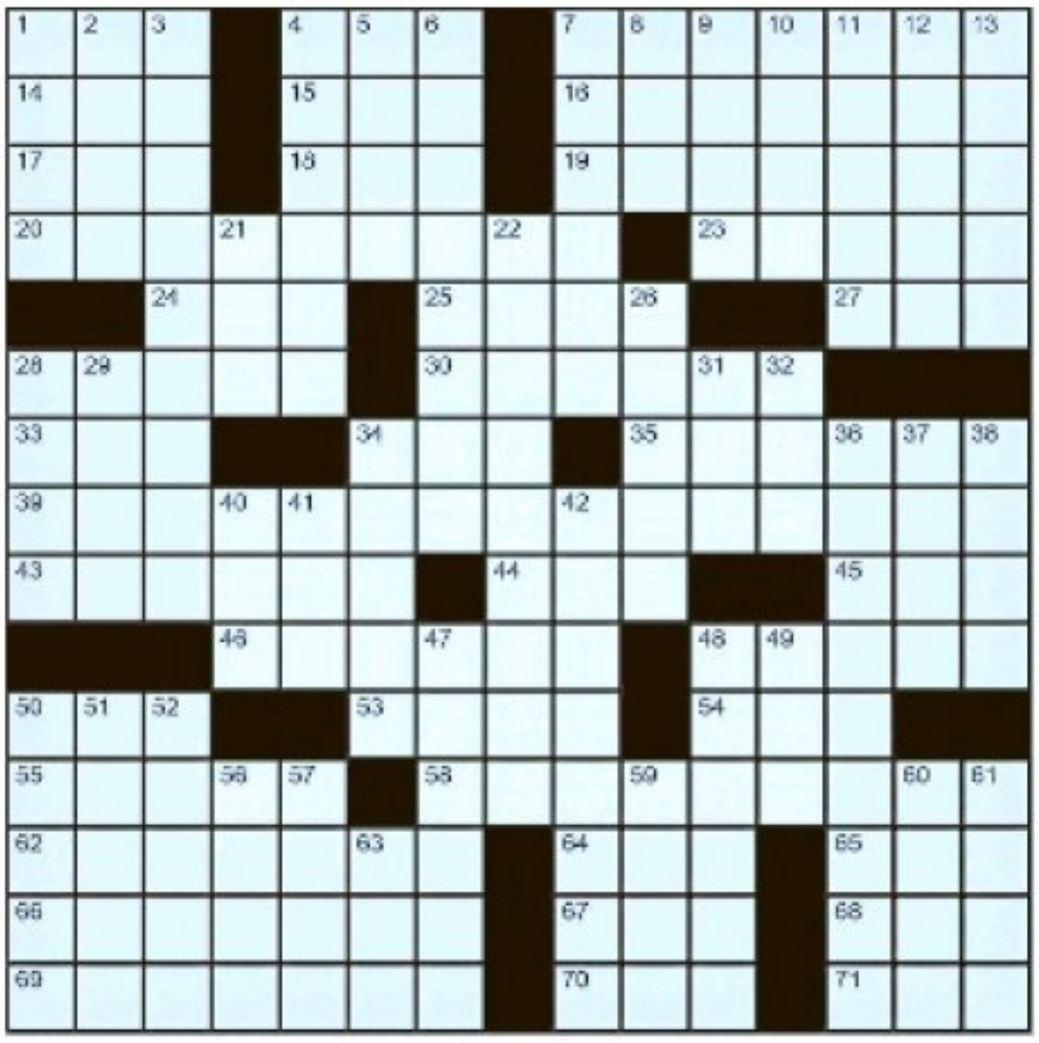

ACROSS
1. Ballpark stat.
4. 'Equal'-meaning prefix
7. Numerous
14. Really long time
15. Queue pre-Q
16. At the ready, as a guard: 2 wds.
17. Rap star, Tone-__
18. Protrude
19. Disney movie race car Herbie the what?: 2 wds.
20. Tall topper, __ hat
23. Arcade game, Whac-_-__
24. Web
25. Hairdo
27. Inky implement
28. Charo's famous expression, when doubled
30. Light up, in verse
33. U2 song
34. Pronounce
35. Swanky neighbourhood of Winnipeg
39. 4th Prime Minister of Canada, from 1892 to 1894: 3 wds.
43. Hosp.'s to-the-patient connection: 2 wds.
44. Rt. __. (Upstanding title, for short)
45. Scand. land
46. "Buffy the Vampire __"
48. Bluegrass music sound
50. One Time link: 2 wds.
53. Nevada casino destination
54. "Watch it!"
55. "Throw __ from the Train" (1987)
58. Sans serif font style
62. Acupressure
64. '_'__ in Ottawa
65. Mr. Mineo
66. Above-to-below wartime attack: 2 wds.
67. Jetta ___ (Volkswagen model)
68. Sample
69. Ten Commandments elev.: 2 wds.
70. "Sure."
71. Union, in downtown Toronto, e.g.

DOWN
1. Photo album posers, e.g.
2. Throw out
3. Presently performing with the philharmonic: 2 wds.
4. Canadian singer/musician/producer whose credits include being a member of "I Cry" trio Bass is Base, Chin __
5. Minestrone __
6. Eyeglasses professional
7. Cirque du __
8. Roxy Music's Brian
9. "__-__-voom!"
10. Chemistry substance, briefly
11. "Hey! Ba-Ba-__-__" by Lionel Hampton and His Orchestra
12. As __ (Usually)
13. Mil. rank: 2 wds.
21. Truck or bus, e.g.
22. "__ Pam" by The Beatles
26. Sofa-turned-bed
28. Thus, in Milan
29. McGill, e.g.
31. Close-mouthed
32. __, date (Food label info)
34. Cut
36. Writers like Charles Lamb
37. Up opposite
38. Blood type: letter + abbr.
40. __ du jour = Juice of the day
41. Angle type, briefly
42. Timepiece art
47. 20th-century violinist Mr. Menuhin
48. Dissertation
49. Drenched
50. "I ___" (2001), Penn/Pfeiffer picture
51. "I've got ___ that ball!" (Two-strikes-down slugger's internal pep talk)
52. Mideast chieftains
56. "__-Mac" by Great Big Sea
57. Deadlocked, __ __ impasse
59. Farewell, to Catullus
60. Buggy
61. Kirk __, "Superman" (1948) star
63. "Chandelier" singer

IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20
You might see new ways of making money today. You also can see new uses or applications for something you already own. (Clever you!)

Taurus April 21 - May 21
Today your speech with others will be clear and direct. You know what you want, and you're willing to go after it. You also can deduce what is going on behind the scenes.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
Today you see the subtext of things, which means nobody can fool you. You will be able to spot a phony a mile away. It's also a good day for research.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
You might join forces with a friend ora member of a group to introduce reforms and improvements somewhere or somehow. Basically, you want to build a better mousetrap.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
Conversations with bosses and parents will be powerful, direct and productive. Basically, you want to improve things and you want their co-operation and support.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Discussions about politics, religion, philosophy or racial issues will be deep and profound today. Nothing will be light and casual. Get ready.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
You want to get to the bottom of things when it comes to inheritances or discussions about shared property today. You don't want glib answers. You want the facts

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
You might attract someone powerful today. This person might ask you penetrating questions. It's also possible that the opposite will occur

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Your main motivation at work today will be to see how to make improvements around you. You also might want to explain the details of how something works to someone.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Today you might have an opportunity to teach children something important. Meanwhile, romantic conversations will be direct, and perhaps blunt, and focus on ways to improve the relationship itself.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Family discussions are strong and powerful today. Basically, people are looking for ways to improve things, especially in their immediate surroundings.

Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
Today you have X-ray vision, which is why you practically can read the minds of others. During discussions, you will be persuasive.

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